

讀者來函

我們大概還記得北平的報紙曾經發表過一段關於北平文化界負責人的談話，在那裏他們間接地說這次的救亡運動亦不過是「秀才造反」而已。這種悲觀的論調雖然使我們生氣，可是多少也打動了我們的心，逼着我們們心自問：二十九運動到底已經完成了什麼？在外界的稱贊與鼓勵之中，我們總還未忘了自我批判。

我特別感覺到我們的缺點。第一是我們的勇氣不夠。從前燕大二十九特刊有一期中我曾讀過一篇關於擴大宣傳慰勞的文章，那位作者在她的文中很誠實地批評過自己的勇氣。我們一面想為大眾謀福利，可是一面不願毀滅自我。這種矛盾有時候使我們感到痛苦，有時使我們感到慚愧。我也曾問過自己：為什麼參加二十九運動的學生比參加喜峯口作戰的要多？在這種社會制度與教育制度之下，我們年青人的沒有勇氣，懦弱，自私，漠不關心都是很自然的現象。第二件使我感到不愉快的事即是我們未曾擺脫了自家的身分。二十九運動以來，大家心裏都想抓住羣衆的；接着便是喊出「到民間去」的口號。『到民間去』這個口號最初是帝俄大學生喊出來的，也是他們切實做過的。他們爲了農奴解放，民主自由，就離開了學校，深入國家的腹地去。他們之中的當着小學教師，有的還做木匠。爲什麼人家做得到，我們却不呢？第三件事便是我們認識的不夠。每個同學心中無疑地想拉攏民衆的隊伍來參加這次救亡運動，可是民衆未曾有力量地響應。此中原因固然很多，可是我們沒有一個不可抹煞的理由，羣衆的慾望也許我們不知道，普遍的飢餓流行着農村社會裏已是不可否認的事實。在這種境況下單純的民族意識可能給我們多少意義？有時候我們的舉動是人類主義的，有時候我們熱衷着農村建設，深信現狀是可以改良的。到底怎樣做呢？我想很少人有把握。第四缺點即是二十九運動目標的不顯明。當益世報的一篇社評批判我們這次運動沒有目標之後，學聯日報也有一個答覆，大約是說我們不提出枝節問題。這就是說我們的目標是打破現狀，不但是打破一個傀儡組織。北平學生不派代表即表示是不信任現政府的一種表示。可是師大學生爲什麼有一次議決，專門要打倒蕭振瀛一人呢。學聯被行政院命令解散後，爲什麼還向這個已被同學不信任的政府請願要求取消這道命令。一個人可以有兩一立場嗎？

社會學會 一年級討論會

社會學系一年級同學於本星期二(十七日)晚七時在禮樓開會，到會者十四人(全班廿餘人)，嚴景耀先生亦被邀請參加，討論事項：(一)改選該班主席及文書，結果仍由上季主席李榮貞女士及文書朱壽朋君繼任，(二)通過組織一年級社會學系討論會，該討論會每星期舉行兩次，時間及討論題目皆臨時規定，第一次開會於下星期五晚八時在禮樓舉行，題目爲「法西斯主義及社會主義之認識及不同點」，並由嚴景耀先生指定參考書，唯該班採取閉關主義不接待一切來賓云。

物理學會 將舉行參觀

物理學會，第一次常會，於上週舉行，當決議於四月中旬參觀石景山發電廠，門頭溝煤礦，順便

遊覽戒壇寺，壇拓寺等處，凡願參加者，可自由報名。

宋磊將結婚

本校新聞系三年級宋磊，已與天津名媛張女士訂婚，聞於最近將來，舉行婚禮。現宋君正在忙於佈置一切。

郭美瑞宴女同學

一年級女生導師郭美瑞女士於昨晚(十九日)在燕南園本宅，請住第一院之一年級女生茶會，藉以聯歡，以後再依次序請其他各院之一年級女生。

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Chiang Min Puts Calabash Out of Basketball League

The lanky Chiang Min basketballers defeated the overseas Calabashers 27-21 at Warner Gymnasium in one of the most hard-fought games of the series last Wednesday night. Lack of accuracy in shooting six free throws in the last few minutes of the game spelled defeat for the overseas boys.

Drawing first blood by virtue of a free throw, the Calabashers did not relinquish the lead until the fourth quarter when the Chiang Min staged a sudden rally and found the loop accurately for several times in succession. The score at the end of the first half was 9-7.

By virtue of its victory, the Chiang Mins are again in the "running" for the semi-finals and the Calabash are ousted out of the league.

Former "Messiah" Soloist Passes Away

Yenchinians will join with others in regret at the news of the death of Brig. J. E. Sansom of the Salvation Army, who died in Hong-kong Wednesday. For many seasons before his transfer to the south from Peiping, Mr. Sansom sang the tenor solo parts in the annual giving of the "Messiah" by the Yenching Chorus.

Hsiao Chien Comments on Wenshang

Chang Hung-chun and other Yenching people are doing well in Wenshang model hsien in Shantung, according to Hsiao Ch'ien, journalism graduate last June, in a letter to Dr. Lowenthal.

Correction

It was erroneously stated in the *News*, March 13, that thirteen students had "first-stage T.B." It should have been "arrested T.B.", and not as previously stated. It was also learned from the women's infirmary that nine girl students have "arrested T.B."

"Messiah" To Be Sung Soon; Chorus Rehearses Finally

Handel's "Messiah" will be sung around Easter Sunday which falls on April 12, the Yenta Chorus unanimously voted last night at its weekly rehearsal in Sage Auditorium.

The turnout was smaller than last semester, but sang well. It was the first rehearsal of the spring semester, the first two Thursday evenings being occupied with a student mass meeting and a holiday.

Mr. Shadick seemed enthusiastic concerning the rehearsal, especially regarding the singing of some new materials which were used for the first time.

Nash to Leave Peiping March 30

As Vernon Nash plans to travel to Japan overland through Manchuria and Korea, it will not be necessary for him to leave here until the night of March 30.

Mr. Timperly to Shanghai Tomorrow

Mr. H. J. Timperly is leaving tomorrow afternoon for Shanghai to reside permanently. His business address there is 6th floor, Cable Building, 3a Ave. Edward VII.

Spring Holidays Declared For April 25-28 by Deans

Spring recess will be held April 25-28, the Dean's Committee decided at a meeting Tuesday afternoon. April 25, originally designated as Home-Coming Day, will be changed to Open-House Day instead.

At the semester's start, it was decided to abolish spring vacation this year, because of the late start following student troubles in Peiping. But the Dean's Committee decided otherwise Tuesday. Home-Coming Day will be held jointly with Dr. Stuart's 60th Birthday Anniversary on June 24, so that alumni may not need to travel to the campus twice.

Chiang Writes on Shai. Ta Kung Pao

The first issue of the Shanghai edition of the *Ta Kung Pao* will be out on April 1, according to a letter from James Chiang Yin-en, who will act as English secretary and reporter of the activities of westerners on that paper. He will also teach translation in the downtown school of commerce of the University of Shanghai.

Students Join in Honor to March 18 Martyrs

More Than 1000 Students Represent Yenta, Tsinghua, Peiping Schools at Yuan Ming Yuan Monument

More than 300 Yenta students participated in the memorial activities sponsored by the Peiping Student Union on Wednesday for students who were killed in the March 18th affair in 1926. Classes were suspended from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Assembling at the south side of the Chemistry building at 9 a.m., the Yenta students held a short but impressive ceremony before the monument of Miss Wei Shih-yi, the only Yenching student killed in the March 18th student demonstration in 1926. Wreaths were laid at the monument and a three-minute silence was observed in respect to this student heroine.

The contingent then lined up in columns of four each, headed for Yuan Ming Yuan, where the larger monument dedicated to more than fifty Peiping students who were killed in the March 18th affair is situated. Representatives from many other schools of Peiping were already there, and Tsinghua with the second largest delegation was present also. It is estimated that more than 1000 students attended.

The program which consisted in the laying of wreaths by representatives from Yenching, Tsinghua and the Peiping delegations at the foot of the monument, the observance of three minutes of silence, the adoption of patriotic resolutions and the shouting of patriotic slogans, was conducted before a squad of police who had huddled on a hillside, overlooking the monument. The meeting disbanded at 11:15 a.m.

M. U. Jour. Alumnus a Campus Visitor

Mr. and Mrs. Gus M. Oehm were visitors to the campus Wednesday afternoon. He is a graduate of the Missouri School of Journalism and a former president of the Journalism Alumni Association. He spoke briefly at a meeting of the Journalism Students Club here Wednesday night.

Yenta Calendar

Today, Friday, March 20.

8:00 p.m. Victrola Concert

Gamble Hall

Sunday, March 22

8:00 a.m. Sheng Kung Hui Holy Communion

Sage

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Sage

10:30 a.m. University Service

Ninde

Preacher: Mr. T. C. Chao

Subject: "The Christian Conception of Society."

3:00 p.m. Workmen's Service

Ninde

Speaker: Mr. Y. C. Pai

6:30 p.m. English Vespers

Ninde

Preacher: Miss Burt

Thursday, March 24.

8:55 a.m. Ninde Chapel

8:55 a.m. Sage Chapel

11:20 a.m. Assembly

Auditorium

7:30 p.m. Mid-week Meeting for Prayer

Sage

8:00 p.m. Report on Wenshang

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The Annotator

This batch of annotations, which will be my last for an interminate period, can be easily written merely by letting my finger-tips form the words which my lips have been uttering over and over again this week in answer to such questions as, "How do you feel about having to go to America?" The queries have usually been directed toward certain particulars, and the answers will be correspondingly divided.

It's a Curious Mental Mixture

As regards the prospect of putting an ocean between me and my family for an indefinite number of months, I have been feeling for days as if facing a prison sentence. The troubled state of international relationships everywhere does not tend to allay one's emotions of dislike for long and wide separations.

The loneliness of work in a succession of strange cities is fairly comparable to commitment to solitary confinement. One has more opportunity for physical exercise than in a cell but thinkers from the intuitive poets down have always pointed out that there is no dreariness equal to being solitary in the midst of great crowds. The situation is worsened in financial cultivation work by the fact that the period in each day when direct frontal attacks on the task in hand can be carried on is a relatively small part of 24 hours. Many of the genus prospect are addicted to long week-ends and belong to what Christopher Morley used to call the three-hours-for-lunch class.

Concerning the "Begging" Function

I do not dread the phase of the

job from which most persons shrink. There is mental stimulus and profitable experience in meeting the men and women with whom one has interviews. I invariably keep the proposition on the level of an offered opportunity and therefore escape the psychology of being a high-toned beggar. I'll take to the streets with lead-pencils and a cup before I'll importune.

Nevertheless, as I now confront what may be the opening of the final scene in the undertaking of which I first heard twelve years ago this month, I feel much as I did when I started home on a similar program of work in the spring of 1927. The emotion must be quite similar to those of persons about to take their first parachute jump whose imagination races ahead to contemplate what it will feel like if the chute does not open when the string has been pulled.

Big Difference Now of Course

I could run off a string of reasons why this prospective jumper has far more confidence in future events now than nine years ago, despite the decidedly tempestuous financial weather into which the leap must be made. The work goes on with a gratifying body of majors, with a bunch of fine alumni out at work, with a reasonably adequate staff, and with growing support by Chinese journalists and other public-spirited men. There is a fine set-up in the Williams Memorial Committee under whose aegis I can go right to work on arrival. None of these helps existed in 1927.

Balancing the Personal Equation

I am always much attracted by travel. So be it to the very end or (as Wordsworth would say) let me die. It's very good to realize, as I sit and type, that within thirty days I'll be seeing "the folks" again, especially as my father's health has been quite poor for more than a year. I hate to start breaking myself of the very appropriate and convenient use of the indefinite pronoun "one", which has a pedantic ring to mid-western ears but this nuisance will be compensated for in the fact that I shall not eat a dish of cooked cereal from the moment I set foot on the "Jackson" until my return and

I'll be able to order ice cream at every meal; for breakfast even, if I want it. It won't be necessary to go on a journey to see a talkie, and I'll be able to ride those new streamlined trains, whose pictures have been so intriguing in recent years.

Speaking of pictures, I got one the other day which was symbolic of my most dominant mood. In order that the family might secure a separate passport, our former one had to be amended to exclude all but myself from it. When the necessary application had been filled out and acted upon, I got the old passport back and squarely across the noses of the critic on the hearth, the chip and the chipette in the picture were big black crosses. Yours for administrative officers who will interpret more literally two of Christ's most quoted comments on marriage. —V.N.

"Wenshang Hsien" Is Topic of Miss Bent's Talk Next Tuesday

Miss Dora Bent will speak on "The Reconstruction Experiment in Wen Shang Hsien, Shantung" next Tuesday, March 24, at the President's House. The meeting will start at 8:00 o'clock. All interested in the community are welcomed.

It will be remembered that Prof. Chang Hung-chun of the Department of Sociology and Social Work has been working in that *hsien* as *Hsienchang*. Miss Bent brings back most enthusiastic reports of his success.

The time for the group meeting for devotions will be changed to 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Frame Honored at Tea

Mrs. Alice B. Frame was guest at a reception given by Dean Margaret Speer Monday afternoon when about 35 were present. Mrs. Frame recently returned to China after an absence of about five years. After having been dean of the Women's College from 1922 to 1931, she left for Switzerland and the United States to recuperate from tuberculosis, and is now fully recovered. It is hoped that she will pay another visit to the Yen-ching campus soon.

New York Pianist To Play In Yenching Next Thursday

A piano recital will be given by Mrs. Trevor P. Bowen, well-known pianist of New York, on Thursday, March 26, at 8:15 p.m. in the Bashford Auditorium. Admission will not be charged.

Mrs. Bowen arrived in Peiping only recently, after having given a series of recitals in the large cities of China before large audiences.

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Miss Iris Chiang in Batavia

Miss Iris Chiang Chao-ai, graduate nurse of P.U.M.C., recently became head-nurse of the Yang Seng Ie or Yang Sheng Yuan, a hospital in Batavia, Java, according to a letter received by Pan Chia-lin. In Java, she met Mrs. Jane Tang Huang and other Yen-ching alumni.

Jenao to Meet Next Friday Night

Dr. L. E. Wolferz will be in charge of the Jenao program next Friday night, March 27. A typical French play will be given in translation.

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